

## **ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD RECOMMENDATION 20140806 004b**

**Date:** August 06, 2014

Subject: Sustainability in the Code Next process.

Motion By: Robert Deegan Second by: James Schissler, P. E.

Rationale:

Whereas there is Environmental protection and access to nature are critical to the community of Austin,

Texas; and

Whereas there are Imagine Austin policies encouraging green infrastructure elements including urban

forces, rain gardens, green street, etc.; and

Whereas, Environmental concerns for the future of Austin include drought, pollution and air quality,

urban heat island, flooding, and climate change;

Therefore, the Environmental Board recommends that the City of Austin adopt an ecological systems

based approach to Code Next to develop a Code that requires and incentivizes the integration of green

infrastructure into the compact and connected environments. The new Code will seek to encourage;

And, that the City of Austin ensure option's, scope and team includes a Solid emphasis on green

infrastructure and sustainability.

VOTE 6-0-0-1

For:

Deegan, Maxwell, Neely, Redmond, Schissler and Smith

Against:

None

Abstain:

None

Absent:

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Approved By:

Dr. Mary Gay Maxwell, Chair